TRIBUTE TO DR. KARL PISTER

## HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 20, 1996

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a scholar who has pursued excellence in the academic world for his entire life. Dr. Karl Pister first entered the undergraduate program at the University of California at Berkeley more than 50 years ago and is today being honored as chancellor of the University of California at Santa Cruz, a position he has held for the past 5 years.

Dr. Pister first began teaching immediately after he received his Ph.D. in theoretical and applied mechanics in 1952. He began as assistant professor and in the Department of Civil Engineering at Berkeley and after 10 years was promoted to professor in 1962. For the following 18 years, he also served as vice chairman and chairman of the Division of Structural Engineering and Structural Mechanics. He was appointed dean of the College of Engineering, at Berkeley, on July 1, 1980, and led the school to be recognized as one of the Nation's outstanding schools of engineering.

Dr. Pister has been the recipient of numerous prestigious awards. He was twice selected as a Fulbright Scholar, first, in the Department of Mathematical Physics, University College, Cork, Ireland, and then in the Institute for Statics and Dynamics of Aerospace Structures, University of Stuttgart, West Germany. He also was awarded the Wason Medal for Research by the American Concrete Institution, and in 1982, was the recipient of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, College of Engineering Alumni Honor Award for distinguished service in engineering. In 1988 he was presented with the Vincent Bendix Award for minorities in engineering by the American Society for Engineering Education, and in 1993 he was bestowed the highest honor by the society, the Benjamin Garver Lamme Medal, for his contributions to engineering education. He also was the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Engineering Alumni Society of the College of Engineering, University of California, Berkeley.

Dr. Pister has also served the University of California in many other ways. He held the position as chairman of the committees on Senate Policy and Educational Policy of the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate, and also served as chairman of the University Committee on Education Policy. From 1978 to 1980 he was vice-chairman and chairman of the nine-campus Academic Council and Assembly of the Academic Senate and faculty representative to the board of regents of the University of California.

Dr. Pister is also a member of numerous engineering academies and associations. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, and is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Academy of Mechanics, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Dr. Pister is also an honorary fellow of the California Academy of Sciences.

He currently serves as chairman of the board of directors of the California Council on Science and Technology and is a member of the board of directors for the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute and the board of trustees of the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute and of the board of trustees of the Monterey Institute of International Studies. Pister also serves as chairman of the board of Engineering Education and is a member of the Coordinating Council for Education of the National Research Council.

In addition to my honoring of Dr. Pister's numerous accolades and accomplishments, I would also like to pay tribute to a man of great character. He has made a commitment to a continued vision to lead and a compassion to listen in order to best contribute to the advancement of science and the advancement of our society and Nation. I wish him well in his future endeavors.

# TRIBUTE TO VIRGINIA O'TOOLE BAILEY

## HON. WILLIAM H. ZELIFF, JR.

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 20, 1996

Mr. ZELIFF. Mr. Speaker, let me extend my sincerest congratulations and gratitude to a wonderful woman who is retiring today after a very fulfilling and successful career. Mrs. Virginia O'Toole Bailey has been serving the community of North Conway, NH, for 17 years as the John Fuller Elementary School Nurse.

Over the last 17 years, Mrs. Bailey has provided an invaluable service and has established a strong bond with North Conway and surrounding communities. Mrs. Bailey has looked after and taken care of our children's playground cuts and bruises when we, as parents, could not be there. She has been the security blanket that so many young people need at such a young age.

For all these reasons, I would like to thank Mrs. Virginia O'Toole Bailey on behalf of myself, the students and staff of John Fuller Elementary, the parents, and the town of North Conway for 17 great years of caring and dedication. I also offer my gratitude as a Representative of New Hampshire and I am sure I speak for all my colleagues here in Congress when I say congratulations. Mrs. Bailey will be greatly missed at John Fuller Elementary School

# TRIBUTE TO LAWRENCE B. ALPORT

#### HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 20, 1996

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to pay tribute to a celebrated community servant, Mr. Lawrence B. Alport. On Monday, June 24, 1996, Lawrence's friends and family will gather to celebrate his installation as president of B'nai be held at The Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza in Merrillville, IN.

Since he first joined the organization in 1980, Lawrence has proven to be a great leader within B'nai B'rith. For the past year, Lawrence served as president-elect, as well as a member of the board of governors. Law-

rence also served for 3 years as vice president. Lawrence currently serves as vice-chairman for B'nai B'rith's international Community Volunteer Service, and he has held this position for 9 years. Previously, Lawrence served on B'nai B'rith's Membership Cabinet, Fundraising Cabinet, and Leadership Cabinet. In addition, Lawrence served as the president of the Indiana State Association for B'nai B'rith. For B'nai B'rith's America Lodge No. 90, Lawrence served as president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

We are all fortunate to have dedicated people, like Lawrence, involved in the community of Indiana's First Congressional District. In addition to his involvement with B'nai B'rith, Lawrence is a board member of Hoosier Boys Town. He also served as a board member for Northwest Indiana Family Services where he was president for 3 years.

Professionally, Lawrence is the president of David Lawrence Enterprises, Inc., a company he founded in 1993. David Lawrence Enterprises specializes in energy conservation and indoor air quality equipment for manufacturers.

B'nai B'rith is the world's oldest and largest Jewish organization with members in 55 countries. B'nai B'rith has been in existence for over 150 years. District 2 consists of eight surrounding States including Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Kansas, Missouri, Wyoming, Colorado, and New Mexico. Locally, B'nai B'rith America Lodge No. 90, which covers all of northwest Indiana, sponsors several community events. Lodge No. 90, which has a B'nai B'rith youth organization, has taken children to baseball games and sponsored a brotherhood essay contest for elementary and junior high students. Lodge No. 90 has also sponsored a teddy bear drive to help acquire teddy bears for hospitals.

I offer my heartfelt congratulations to Lawrence and his wife, Jane Harper Alport, on the eve of his installation as president of B'nai B'rith District 2. They can be proud as Lawrence works hard to preserve Jewish culture while improving the quality of life for Indiana's First Congressional District. I sincerely wish Lawrence a long, happy, and successful term.

# LEGISLATION DISAPPROVING THE NRC FROM LOCATING A NU-CLEAR WASTE FACILITY

#### HON. NEIL ABERCROMBIE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 20, 1996

Mr. ABERCROMBIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with other concerned Members of Congress to introduce legislation which amends the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 to prohibit the licensing of a permanent or interim nuclear waste storage facility outside the 50 States. Specifically, this bill would preclude the Nuclear Regulatory Commission from issuing a license for the storage of radioactive waste or spent nuclear fuel in any of the U.S. territories. Senator DANIEL AKAKA has already introduced a companion bill, S. 1878, in the U.S. Senate.

I have grown increasingly troubled by statements and presentations that have been made by a New York City investment firm, KVR, Inc., that earlier this year made an offer for Palmyra Island, an atoll of more than 40 islets